

Minutes of Proceeding
Ottawa County Board of Commissioners
February 29, 2016

Office of the Ottawa County Clerk
8:00 a.m.
Regular Session

The Board of Commissioners met in regular session with Commissioner Karen S. Brumbaugh, Commissioner James P. Kay, Commissioner Kathy M. Luthi, and County Clerk Mary Arganbright.

Commissioner Luthi opened the meeting in prayer and led the group in the flag salute.

The annual township report of Sherman were examined and confirmed by the commissioners.

Vouchers and payroll were approved.

Truette McQueen, County Appraiser, brought up the list of zoning committee members that need re-appointed. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to re-appoint Phil Ballou, Jeff McHenry, and Arlen Bacon to the zoning board, for a term of 2/16-2/19. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried. Truette asked if the commissioners if they have come up with a wage for his new employee. After discussion, it was decided to pay the new employee \$10.50/hour. Truette asked what the commissioners wanted to do with Sharolyn Boyer's wage. He is not going to have a deputy appraiser right now in his office. Sharolyn will be taking over some of the duties of the deputy appraiser, with the intent of moving her to the deputy position sometime this summer. The commissioners asked for Truette to update the job description, and they will talk about it next week.

DeMerle Eckart, Museum Board, met back with the commissioners on the decision of paying Marvin Ballou as a part-time employee, along with the two other part-time employees they have. Jason Parks, County Attorney, came in and went over the option of possibly putting Marvin on as an independent contractor, which he wouldn't meet that definition. It was decided that giving a gift of appreciation was appropriate.

2016 county inventories were reviewed by the commissioners.

John Cople, Highway Administrator, met with the board and at 9:00 a.m., Delphos bridge (.5 miles South of Delphos), bids were opened for the replacement deck. Jason Rourke, RMA Engineering was present. Reece Construction LLC, Scandia, Ks., \$559,046.40; and L & M Contractors, Great Bend, Ks., \$474,349.00. Jason will take the bid and make sure everything is as should be, and get it back for approval next week. John reported on what crews were doing. John gave the board a Highway Use Permit for D S & O for approval. Commissioner Brumbaugh moved to approve the Highway Use Permit 25 for D S & O, 643' North of Pioneer Road on 110th Road, boring road at 5' depth to install underground power line, 4" pvc conduit. Commissioner Kay seconded. Motion carried.

Kenny Baccus, Noxious Weed Administrator, brought in chemical quotes for the commissioners to look at. He has gone through the quotes and picked out what he would like to purchase and the grand total from each

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vendor. They are as follows: Crop Production Services, \$11,045.76; Sims, \$1,152.00; River Hills Seed, \$3,870.00; Van Diest, \$13,624.80. The commissioners approved. Kenny gave the board a quote from AgTerra Technologies, Inc., for a spraylogger mobile unit for his big truck. He has one already on the Kubota. The quote is for \$3,240.00. Kenny said that he has asked Case Brothers to look at the floor of the chemical building for the cleaning up of years of chemical stains and get him a quote to go along with the other quote he has. They have come and looked but he hasn't received the quote.

Keith Coleman, Sheriff, gave prisoner count of Saline County 39, and Ottawa County 8. Keith said that he would be meeting with Kimble Mapping today with Truette McQueen, Appraiser, for GIS mapping.

Brian Kindall, Fair Board, gave the commissioners the 2015 summary report for the fair. Brian went over the plans for repairs/improvements for this year. Commissioner Kay moved to go into executive session at 10:33 a.m. for ten minutes to discuss confidential data relating to financial affairs. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried. Those present were the commissioners and Brian. They returned to regular session at 10:43 a.m. No decision was made.

Commissioner Kay moved to adjourn at 11:26 a.m. from the meeting to view roads and bridges. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried. The commissioners went back into session at 4:00 p.m.

With no further business before the board, Commissioner Kay moved to adjourn at 4:00 p.m. Commissioner Brumbaugh seconded. Motion carried.